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Title: Regarding status of implementation of recommendations in the 1st Report of Standing Committee on Food, Consumer Affairs and Public Distribution.

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12.10 hrs.

STATEMENT BY MINISTER

THE MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE AND MINISTER OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION (SHRI SHARAD PAWAR): Sir, I am making this statement on the status of implementation of recommendations contained in the First Report of Standing Committee on Food, Consumer Affairs and Public Distribution, Department of Food and Public Distribution in pursuance of Direction 73A of the hon. Speaker, Lok Sabha issued *vide* Lok Sabha Bulletin-Part II, dated September 1st , 2004.

A statement indicating the action taken/status of all the recommendations contained in the Standing Committee on Food, Consumer Affairs and Public Distribution, Department of Food and Public Distribution is annexed. It may be noted that the report contains 25 recommendations. These recommendations of the Committee have been examined carefully by the Ministry of Consumer Affairs, Food and Public Distribution, Department of Food and Public Distribution. And, as many as 22 recommendations have been accepted and action taken thereon. The remaining three recommendations could not be accepted for reasons mentioned against these recommendations in the attached annexure.

The action taken replies have been sent to the Committee on 8th December, 2004.

MR. SPEAKER: Thank you.

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I must compliment the hon. Minister for Agriculture for making the statement. He is very regularly submitting the reports. I must express my views that many hon. Ministers have not complied with that Direction. I request them to please look into it and see that they are complied with at the earliest. This is my request to all of them; otherwise something may happen.

...(*Interruptsions*[k15])

12.11 hrs.